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- 1. KYODO PRESS NOVEMBER 10 CARRIED REPORT OF STATEMENT BY WHITE HOUSE SPOKESMAN QTE DEPLORING UNQTE ADVANCED RELEASE OF TEXT SIX-POINT CEASEFIRE AGREEMENT BY GOJ AND ALSO REPORTED THAT AMERICAN PRESS RESENTED FACT THAT STORY BROKE IN TOKYO BEFORE BEING RELEASED IN WASHINGTON. ENGLISH LANGUAGE ASAHI EVENING NEWS NOVEMBER 10 CARRIED AP REPORT THAT GOJ FOREIGN OFFICE EMBARGOED RELEASE UNTIL 2400 HOURS NOV 9 ON MISTAKEN NOTION THAT THIS WOULD BE 1200 HOURS NOVEMBER 9 WASHINGTON TIME. AP STORY ADDS THAT QTE PURPOSE OF ADVANCE NOTIFICATION IN TOKYO WAS PRESUMABLY TO KEEP JAPANESE GOVT ABREAST OF LATEST EFFORTS TO WORK OUT AN AGREEABLE SOLUTION TO MIDEAST WAR UNQTE.
- 2. APPARENTLY IN RESPONSE TO SUCH PRESS REPORTS, VICE MIN HOGEN RELEASED STATEMENT TO PRESS AROUND NOON NOVEMBER 10. UNOFFICIAL TRANSLATION OF STATEMENT AS CONVEYED TO EMBASSY BY FOREIGN OFFICE AS FOLLOWS: QTE WITH REGARD TO THIS MATTER, THE FOREIGN OFFICE RECEIVED INFORMAL, CONFIDENTIAL INFORMALIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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MIDNIGHT YESTERDAY (NOVEMBER 9) AND THE PRESS WAS PROVIDED WITH THE INFORMATION ON BACKGROUND WITH STRICT UNDERSTANDING THAT IT WOULD NOT BE MADE PUBLIC BEFORE THE RELEASE TIME. IT IS A MATTER OF REGRET THAT THIS NEWS BROKE FROM TOKYO UNQTE.

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